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Four Counties To Hold Rally Day For Haigis, October 26

The Franklin County Women's Republican club will be the hostess club at the four-county rally day for John W. Haigis, to be held Monday, October 26, in the Deerfield academy gymnasium under the auspices of the Four County Women's Republican club of which Mrs. Olaf Hoff, Jr., is president.

All candidates on the Republican state ticket will be at this rally, it is said. The reception for these candidates will be from 5 to 6 p. m., at Boyden hall. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock, and ticket reservations of those attending from Northfield should be made of Mrs. Ross L. Spencer on or before Friday, Oct. 23.

The guest speaker will be Governor Lewis O. Barrows of Maine. Those who cannot be at the supper are urged to attend the evening meeting. Arrangements have been made to accommodate one thousand visitors.

Fortnightly Luncheon

A perfect day, an excellent program, and a delicious luncheon helped make the first meeting of the Fortnightly at the Northfield hotel, a most enjoyable occasion.

There were eighty-four present, including guests.

At the conclusion of the luncheon, Mrs. A. H. Wright, president, spoke briefly of the relation between president and members.

The president introduced the speakers. Mrs. Olaf Hoff, vice-president of the Federation, spoke briefly in a happy vein. Mrs. Davis, regional director, outlined her work, made suggestions and mentioned the Oct. 15 meeting at Amherst, and the November meeting at Springfield. Both meetings being efforts of the Federation to bring the Eastern and Western parts of the State together.

Mrs. A. D. Potter, former president of the Federation, confined her remarks to a report of the recent Forum sponsored by the New York Herald-Tribune.

Mrs. Hatch of Greenfield, Mrs. Beckmann of Northampton, and Mrs. Bankwitz of Turners Falls, stressed certain features of the work of their clubs and extended invitation to members to attend their meetings. Mrs. H. H. Morse gave one of her delightful travelogues; taking us through Wales and the English Lake country.

Members are reminded of the meeting at Alexander Hall next Friday at 3 o'clock, when Prof. F. L. Duley will speak on Current Events. Mrs. Wright will give a report of the May meeting of the State Federation.

The season has had an auspicious start.

"Well, my boy," said the captain to the new midshipman, "the old story, I suppose? Fool of the family sent to sea?"

"Oh, no, sir," replied the youth, "that's all changed since your day."

Fine Recognition Given High School By State Official

It is with a feeling of much satisfaction that the citizens of Northfield can be assured that educational conditions of the local high school are considered in a very favorable way by the authorities of the Department of Education at Boston.

Recently the Supervisor of Secondary Education of the State Department, Mr. Alfred R. Mack, visited Northfield and spent considerable time in checking up on the conditions of the high school building and its facilities. Its provisions and requirements for the need of pupils were given careful consideration. The teaching staff were counseled with and their work and methods observed. Mr. Mack assures us that we have a competent staff of teachers with most excellent supervision and a school building possessing the proper accommodations for its pupils. His only comment on requirements and needs was that some day the building might be properly enlarged to provide additional facilities. Not a word of criticism of any teacher—but a splendid approval of effort and an appreciation of service. And then of supervision of our superintendent—yes that was excellent too.

The School Committee probably already acquainted with the facts, may view with satisfaction the result of Mr. Mack's visit and the parents of pupils and citizens generally may rest assured that the plant of the Northfield High School is maintained in a par excellence condition and that the money spent for education in this secondary school has attained a high degree of perfection. For a long time the State Department of Education has granted and accorded high standing to the Northfield High School.

Noted Speaker Coming

It is announced that on Sunday, Oct. 25, the people of Northfield will be privileged to hear an address by Miss Edith Drake of Washington, D. C., at the South Church who will speak on the subject of "He Came Seeing."

Miss Drake, well and favorably known here is spending a month in Cambridge and filling engagements about Boston. It will be a fine opportunity to hear a most interesting speaker.

Post Office Job

The U. S. Civil Service Commission has announced a substitute clerk-carrier examination for the post office service at East Northfield.

Application must be filed with the Manager, First U. S. Civil Service District, Post Office building, Boston, on or before Oct. 16.

For information and for application blank, apply promptly to the Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, Post Office, East Northfield, Mass.

Fast Planes For New England Service



NEW Lockheed-Electra transport planes that will cruise at more than three miles per minute will be placed in service by Doston-Maine-Central Vermont Airways between Boston and Bangor, Me., and Boston and Burlington, Vermont, about October 15. The new 10-passenger ships are the last word in modern transport plane design, carry two pilots, captain and co-pilot. The ships are powered with two 450-horsepower motors and will cruise at 183 miles per hour while they have a top speed of more than 200 miles per hour. The planes are equipped with two-way radio which will allow for constant communication with ground stations while the ships are in flight.

Pictures show: one of the planes in flight; seating arrangement; passengers' cabin and nose of plane.

Martha M. Moore Married In Jersey

The marriage of Miss Martha Meredith Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar B. Moore of Elizabeth, N. J., who have been for many years summer residents of East Northfield to Walter Volentine Moffitt of Chattanooga, Tenn. took place last Friday afternoon at St. James Methodist church, Elizabeth, N. J. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Arlo A. Brown, president of Drew University, assisted by Rev. H. N. Smith the pastor of the church and the bride's uncle, Rev. Frank W. Moore. The wedding is of particular interest to the many friends of the family here. Miss Anne Whitman and Miss Barbara Humes of Greenfield were in the bridal party. Her sister, Mrs. Henry H. Drewry was matron of honor and another sister, Mrs. Mary Moore was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Anna Moffitt, sister of the groom, Miss Louise Harrell, a cousin of the bride and Miss Whitman and Miss Humes. Boyd Blevins of Chattanooga was the best man.

Ushers included George T. Moore, a brother, and Robert M. Moore, Jr., a cousin of the bride.

Following the wedding a reception was held at the family home. After a wedding trip to Bermuda the young couple will make their home in New York where Mr. Moffitt is connected with Kidder Peabody & company.

Fine Tributes To The Town Paper

At the meeting and dinner of the Massachusetts Press Association which comprises most of the small dailies and weekly papers of the State held at the Walden hotel last Saturday some tributes were paid as an appreciation of the small town paper.

Said Mr. Haigis: "There will always be a real field for the small city and town newspaper in this country. Your publications are read from cover to cover. You have, therefore, an opportunity to perform real service. Through your papers you can stimulate interest in good government and inform the people of the acts of those elected to serve them."

When Mayor Cowing of Westfield was called upon to speak he added his appreciation: "I have learned more from newspapers than from attendance at school. Although subject to its criticism in political life, I have come to regard highly the influence of the small town paper. It is more direct and personal than our large dailies."

The consensus of all present was that the public are increasing its appreciation of the "home town" paper as is indicated by the growing success of the individual press. No town that declares itself progressive today can afford to neglect its own publication which covers its field and heralds the news of the activities of its people.

On Sunday members of the association visited places nearby and were received by the Strathmore Paper company for an inspection of its plant. Nearly 75 papers were represented at the meeting.

Durgin Writes Of His Summer Travels

During the past summer Mr. Russell Durgin, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle has accompanied the Japanese swimming team to the Olympic meet at Berlin. He left his "Y" work at Tokio, Japan and took charge of the arrangements of traveling for a group of young Japanese. The journey to Berlin was made via Russia and now the return trip is made from Gibraltar by steamship via Port Said, Singapore and Hong Kong. A letter just received from Mr. Durgin gives a most interesting account of his experiences in the many countries he has visited and he also mentions meeting the Rev. and Mrs. deVelder at Gibraltar. Mrs. deVelder was the former Miss Margaret Otte and with her husband left Northfield this summer for the China mission.

At Lake Mohawk

Up in northern New Jersey among its beautiful hills is a large lake named Lake Mohawk, bordered with most attractive and costly summer homes and nearby a large country club has its building, golf links, tennis courts, etc. The colony conducted on a community basis and rather exclusive in its membership includes some persons who have for many years vacationed in Northfield and from an article in its paper published in August one may recognize the influence of this community among the Lake Mohawk folk. In describing the home of one of its citizens, the article has this to say: We quote:

"At 900 East Shore Trail we find the attractive cottage of the O'Keefe's named 'Skwahkeeg' (meaning Northfield). Long, long ago the Skwahkeeg Indians settled in what is now Northfield, one of the oldest towns in Massachusetts.

The O'Keefe's lived there many years and the birch trees that lend such cool shade to their home remind them of a former New England setting.

The very slab of birch that announces the name of the cottage and the tiny picket fence that guards its approach, came from Northfield and were brought from that town to Lake Mohawk."

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Delegates To Attend W.C.T.U. Convention From Northfield

The 63rd annual convention of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the Church of the Pilgrimage at Plymouth, Oct. 13 to 15 inclusive. A most interesting program has been prepared for the three days and the National President, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith will be the guest of honor. Mrs. Alice G. Ropes, the State president, reports that a large number of delegates have already indicated their attendance and that the program contains many prominent speakers on the temperance question. In connection with the meeting a gathering of "Mayflower descendants" who are members of the W. C. T. U. will be held and the list already includes the names of about twenty women.

The Northfield chapter will be represented and the following delegates are arranging to be present at the sessions: Mrs. Edward M. Morgan, the County president, Mrs. Leon R. Alexander, Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle, Mrs. Bessie Symonds and possibly Mrs. N. Fay Smith, the local president.

Invited To Luncheon And Treadway Meeting

Members of the Republican Town Committee and the editorial staff of the Press were invited to attend the "get-together" meeting at Stockbridge yesterday, Thursday, of Congressman Allen T. Treadway. Luncheon was served at Heaton Hall and the assemblage was the largest ever held of its kind since instituted many years ago. Prominent Republican officials of national importance addressed the meeting and in the gathering were a large number of candidates for state offices. It was a rousing meeting filled with enthusiasm and optimism for the future.

The Girl Scouts

The Girl Scouts of Troop 1 held their second meeting on Tuesday at Alexander hall. Those present decided what handicraft articles they wished to work on and this material has been ordered.

A Halloween party was planned for Wednesday, Oct. 14 at 7:15 p. m. in Lieut. Thompson's home. Tempting refreshments will be served. Any girl who wishes to come into our troop may join the fun Wednesday night. We have an interesting program arranged for the year.

Mrs. Wm. R. Moody will leave Northfield next week for a visit with her daughters in New York and the following week sails for Stockholm for a stay with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Dickerson who was recently married. Later she will go to England for a stay before returning to America.

Hostel Activities; Smiths Are Back; Plenty Work Ahead

Monroe and Isabel Smith, enthusiastic and optimistic are back in Northfield after an active summer abroad with 119 youth hostellers who traveled in nearly every country in Europe. Twelve comprised the group which made a first visit to Japan, three saw China, and all are happy with their experience.

Early in September Mr. and Mrs. Smith attended the International convention at Copenhagen and nineteen nations were represented. Richard Schirman was again re-elected President. Austria is the latest nation to organize Youth Hostels and join the association. Next year the convention will meet in Paris and it is expected that the international meeting will come to America in 1941.

Over this week-end the house parents of the Youth Hostels in New England will assemble at the local Hostel for a meeting and conference with the Smiths.

Discussions will prevail on the work of the past summer and plans will be considered for the future. Moving pictures will be shown of various groups in their pilgrimages in America and abroad. There are now 75 Youth Hostels in New England they have furnished over 9000 overnight accommodations. The association has now 4700 members and the work is in a prosperous condition.

Soon after election the Smiths will leave on a trip to the coast stopping at many places enroute to confer with persons and organizations anxious to inaugurate the work in their localities.

Pomona Grange Will Meet Here Today

Connecticut Valley Pomona, No. 19, will meet this Friday evening at the Northfield Grange hall. Supper will be served at 7 o'clock by the Northfield Grange with a short business meeting at 8, preceding the entertainment.

The entertainment will be competitive with a 15-minute program by each subordinate Grange in the Pomona. First and second cash prizes have been offered, and fourth degree members have been asked to attend. A large attendance is expected.

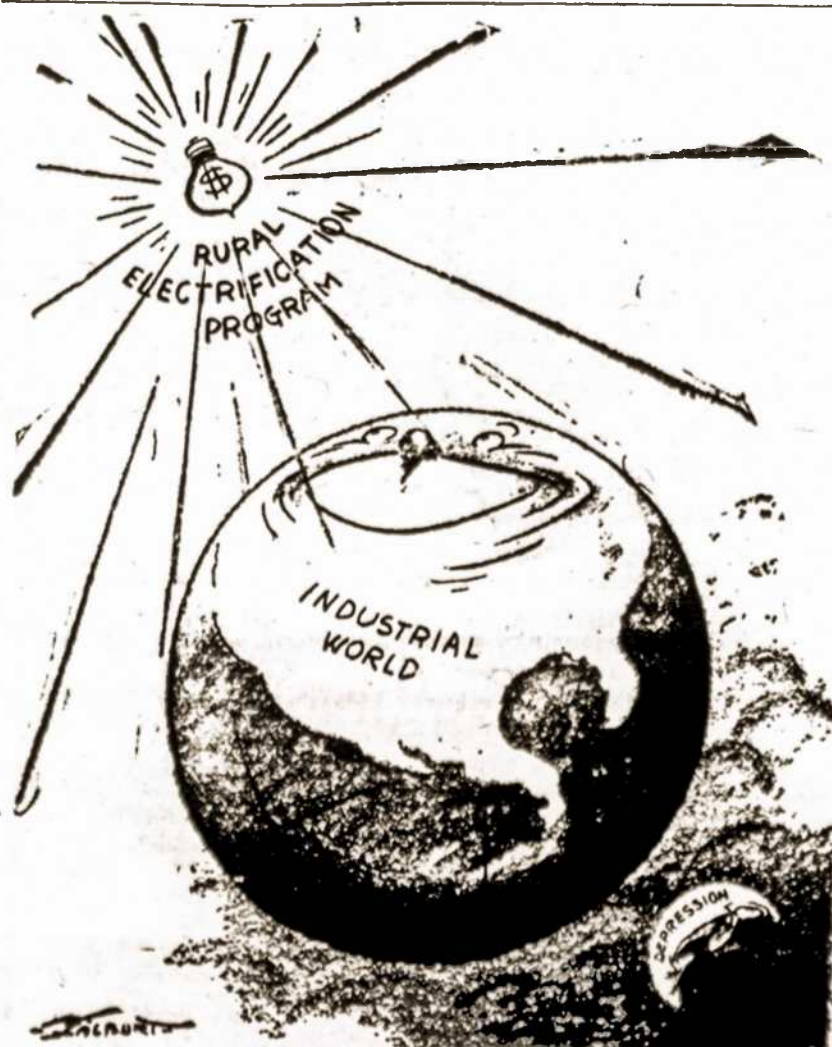
Rainfall Aplenty

The rainfall for the month of September was well above the average and also brings the year's rainfall greater than since 1920 according to records kept. September's fall was nearly three inches and the record for the year to October 1 is over 36 inches. However, the ground is quite dry and many of the streams have but little surplus water coming down the hillsides. Much more rainfall may be expected if springs and brooks are to return to normal conditions.

HAIGIS, DAUGHTERS AND PET



John W. Haigis Republican nominee for Governor, at Greenfield home with daughters, Rose Margaret (center) and Elizabeth, and their collie, "Spunky".



ELECTRIFICATION HELPS INDUSTRY—The benefits of the rural electrification activity which is sweeping the country these days are not confined by any means to the farm and the farmers. Merchants and artisans, factory workers, miners, lumbermen—all are deriving business and profit from the extension of rural electric lines which is lifting the heavy burden of drudgery from the back of the farmer and his wife.

Mr. Morris L. Cooke, Rural Electrification Administrator, recently stated that fairly complete electrification of an average general farm could be accomplished for about \$1000. Many farmers have found much of their electrical equipment to be a profitable investment.

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PERSONALS

Rev. J. Wallace Chesbro of Osterville is preaching at the Morningside Baptist church at Pittsfield during the month and with Mrs. Chesbro is staying at his summer home on Rustic Ridge. They are also entertaining a party of six young ladies at their home while here who will include a motor trip thru the mountains and to Montreal before going home.

Miss Euphrasia Purrington, our District Nurse accompanied her friend Miss Alice Meader of the Holyoke hospital to attendance at the State District Nurse association meeting at the North Adams hospital last week-end.

Miss Marion Spaulding of Winchester road who graduated from the Seminary last June is entering the American International college at Springfield in the freshman class.

Mrs. T. F. Darby and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Parker representatives of the local chapter O. E. S. occupied chairs in a meeting of the Orange chapter last Friday evening when Matrons' and Patrons' night was observed.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Miller of Winchester road have returned from a motor trip through the White Mountains and Canada.

Dr. R. G. Holton and his sister Marion returned last Saturday from a vacation trip by motor during which the Doctor attended the American Legion convention at Cleveland. They visited at Pittsburgh, came back to do some fishing on Lake Champlain and then circled the White Mountains. They report a most enjoyable trip.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Newton and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Griggs of Winchester road are spending a week's vacation with relatives in Troy, N. Y.

Curtis A. Carmean, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Carmean of Main street, who graduated from Mt. Hermon and is a junior at Yale University was awarded high graduation appointments for work of the first two years. His average was between 80 and 84. President Angell announced the honor roll.

Dr. A. H. Wright attended a meeting of the State Medical Council in Boston on Wednesday.

Mrs. A. H. Pearson and her daughters, Mildred and Dorothy, of Winchester road, have returned from a vacation trip and visit at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Langdon is keeping house for Mr. H. H. Chamberlin. Her son is connected with the Hart School of music at Hartford, Ct., and he is organist of the Congregational church at Plainville, Ct.

Jane Cowl in "First Lady" At Shubert

Northfield patrons will be glad to know that due to the great demand to see Jane Cowl in her sparkling comedy, "First Lady," now at the Shubert Theatre, Boston, arrangements have been made to extend the engagement a third week beginning Monday, Oct. 12. Miss Cowl's Boston visit will positively end Saturday night, Oct. 17, when she starts on her coast-to-coast tour. The celebrated star will not appear elsewhere in New England.

"First Lady" ran all last season at the Music Box theatre in New York, and was acclaimed by the critics and the public to be the best comedy produced in recent seasons.

Jane Cowl is easily the most colorful and glamorous star before the public today. By reason of her achievements in a long line of parts she has established herself firmly in the hearts of her admirers, which are legion, and won the respect and admiration of her critics here and abroad by the sincerity and perfection of her art.

"First Lady" takes the spectator behind the scenes at Washington and exposes, humorously the machinations of ambitious social leaders to put a man in the White House. The authors of "First Lady," Katherine Dayton and George S. Kaufman, deny they had any particular social leaders or political big-wigs in mind when they wrote their play, but those who know their Washington think otherwise. Certainly it was an astute move on the part of Sam H. Harris, the producer, to book this production during a campaign year, for no matter who occupies the White House the Dayton-Kaufman opus remains as timely and effective.

The cast supporting Miss Cowl includes Ann Mason, Hunter Gardner, Oswald Yorke, Ethel Wilson, Thomas Findlay, Florence Ames, Helen Brooks, Judson Laire, Diantha Pattison, King Calder, James Seeley, Carrie Reynolds, Paula McLean, Marjorie Crossland and others.

Popular matinees are given on Wednesday and Saturday.

New Appointee On N. E. Regional Plans

William F. Hoehn, Editor and Publisher of the Northfield Press, who has been interested in community planning for some time is a new appointee to the advisory committee of the New England Regional Planning Commission, an advisory organization, acting in cooperation with the state planning boards and Federal agencies to promote the orderly development of the Natural, industrial and human resources of New England.

As a member of the Committee he will function as an intermediary between the Commission and the citizens of Northfield and vicinity.

The purpose of a plan, as defined by Victor M. Cutter, Chairman of the New England Regional Planning Commission, is not to encourage more spending nor to promote development prematurely but rather to serve as a guide to insure that any and all development, when, as and if it takes place, will proceed in an economical and orderly manner. The result is elimination of unnecessary expense to the citizen and taxpayer.

Northfield Cases In The District Court

The continued case of Edward Matoski and Fred Aldrich whose automobiles collided at the corner of Main and Parker streets on Sept. 17, to which both pleaded not guilty of negligent driving was heard in District court at Greenfield last week Thursday before Judge Ball. They were both found guilty and each fined \$20. State Trooper Jean Coute testified that the two cars had collided after the Aldrich car had made a left turn from Parker street to encounter the Matoski car proceeding south on Main street. Both drivers contended that the other driver was to blame, Mr. Matoski declaring that Mr. Aldrich was on the wrong side of the road, and the latter saying that Mr. Matoski was traveling at a high rate of speed and had room enough to avoid the collision.

In the continued case of Frederick Slaght, he pleaded guilty to a charge of non-support before Judge Ball last Friday and was ordered to pay \$5 weekly toward the support of his two children. The original complaint was issued last July and dismissed as the second child was born.

Son: Papa, what is the difference between genius and talent?
Dad: Talent gets paid every Saturday night.

Lincoln Made Good To Mr. Moody's Boys

Lincoln's visit to Mr. Moody's Sunday School in 1880 is recalled by the D. L. Moody Centenary—Moody Bible Institute Jubilee, which opened a two-year celebration last February.

John V. Farwell, Chicago merchant, was superintendent of the Sunday School at that time, and he describes Mr. Lincoln's visit in this manner:

"About the time that the school filled North Market Hall to overflowing, Mr. Lincoln was elected President, and when he came to Chicago by invitation, he visited it, on condition that he was not to be asked to make a speech; but just before he left, the superintendent stated this condition to the school with the remark that if Mr. Lincoln wished to say a word to them they had better listen very attentively."

"He did, and made one of the best five-minute Sunday School talks I ever heard."

"Soon after he called for 75,000 troops, and seventy-five of those boys, not yet twenty years old, listened to the call, and many of them laid down their lives in the service of Mr. Lincoln and their country."

One of the objectives of the D. L. Moody Centenary—Moody Bible Institute Jubilee is the enlistment of 50,000 new friends for the Moody Bible Institute during its jubilee year.

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Dad: Talent gets paid every Saturday night.

since that time and the new complaint included both the children. The order issued by the Judge is a permanent one.



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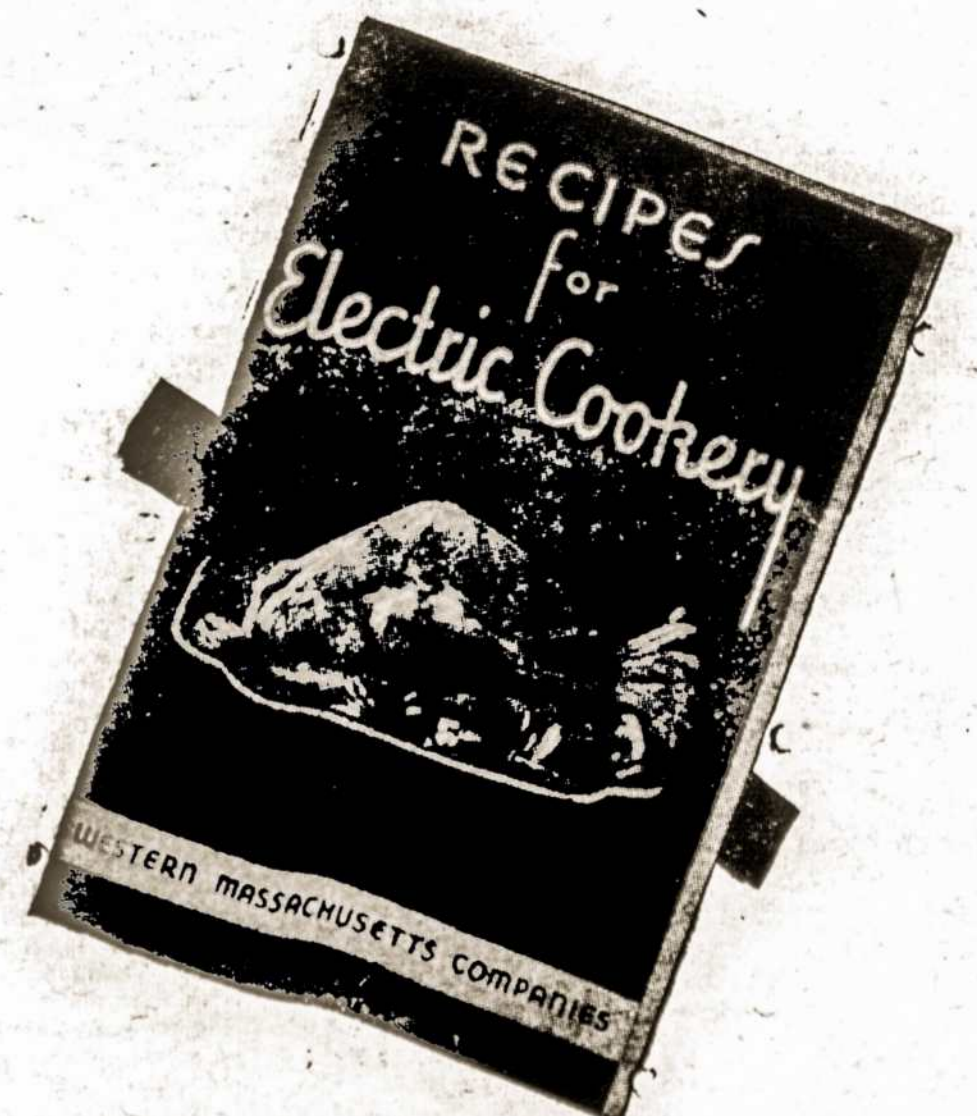
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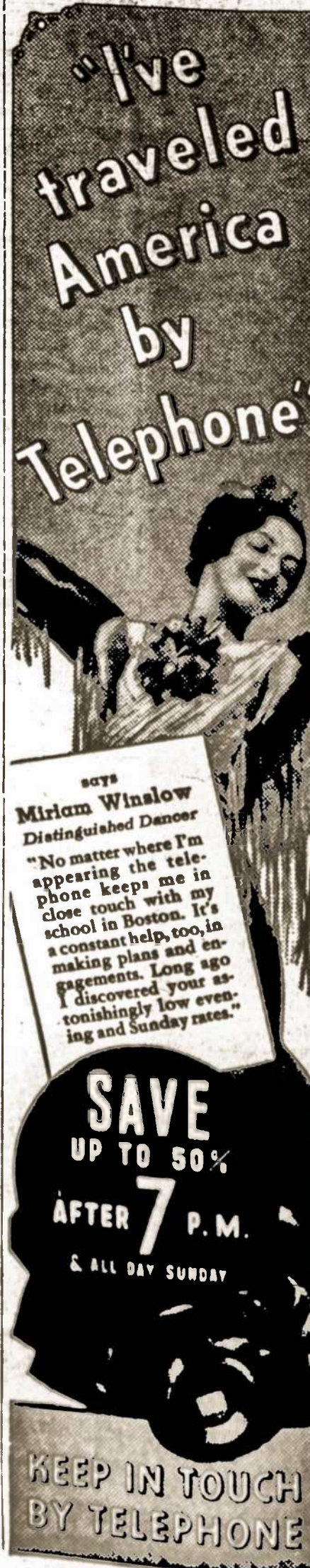
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LOCALS

Mr. Henry O. Russell of West Northfield has sold two acres of land on the Hermon road to Bell H. Porter of Northfield.

The inventory of the late Gilbert H. Lyman as filed in the Probate court recently lists personal property at \$1,480.53, and real estate at \$1500.

The County League for bowling has begun its series of games for the fall and winter season. The Northfield team is composed of the following players: Myron Dunnell, Charles Browning, Clinton Ware, Edward Bolton, Philip Porter, Harry Gingras and Lawrence Lazelle. The team bowled Wednesday evening of last week and again Wednesday evening of this week.

Seminary authorities have just finished laying a fine wide cement walk leading from Winchester road toward Palmer hall and on to Kenardan hall.

A meeting of the Mothers' society of the Congregational church will be held at the home of Mrs. Bernard Whitney Wednesday afternoon, October 21. This is a week later than previously announced.

Members of the Trinitarian Congregational church are reminded that the annual meeting of the congregational will be held on Wednesday evening, Oct. 14.

Automobiles not bearing the new red sticker of inspection are being stopped daily on our highways. The State Troopers are now on the job and you may lose your license if your car is deficient.

It is reported that Mr. Brainard Willey of Winchester road has won several awards in the showing of his prize bantams at the Tri-County Fair at Northampton last week.

The week beginning Monday, Nov. 9, will be known as Education Week and special recognition will be given to it by all schools and institutions of learning.

It will be an item of pleasing interest to those who contributed to the local relief fund at the time following the March flood that the sum of \$1152.61 was raised and turned over to the County Red Cross chapter by Mr. S. E. Walker who officiated as Treasurer and by Mr. A. G. Moody, chairman of the General committee.

The large black police dog which was advertised in the Press last week as having been lost, probably saw the advertisement and returned to his home on the day of publication. He had been reported as having been seen by several of our residents.

Several members of the Fortnightly attended the meeting of the Greenfield Woman's club on Tuesday afternoon when a talk and exhibition of the wonderful dog of the "Seeing Eye" which leads the blind was given at the

parish house of the Second church. On Wednesday afternoon several members went to Brattleboro as guests of the Brattleboro Woman's club when Miss Eunice Avery of Springfield gave a talk on "Coming America," in All Souls parish house.

Several summer residents of Rustic Ridge are prolonging their stay this fall in order to enjoy the beautiful autumn foliage and scenery while motoring hereabouts. Among those remaining are: Rev. Philip Phelps, Mrs. J. A. Otte, Mr. W. F. Townsend and family, and Mrs. Louise LaBella. Among those remaining in Mountain Park are: L. B. Burbank, Mrs. W. J. McRoberts, Miss MacFayden and Miss Layton.

Next Sunday, Oct. 11 has been named as Pulaski Day in honor of that young Polish nobleman Casimir Pulaski who rendered valiant service in the cause of American independence.

Candidates on the Democratic state ticket with officials of the County Democratic committee were expected to visit Northfield Tuesday on their tour of the towns of the county but they failed to put in an appearance. The reception committee which had been named to receive them consisted of William H. Dalton, Lawrence S. Quinlan, Robert H. Wilder, Harry L. Gingras, William Pigott and Katherine Callaghan. For some reason the visit was cancelled and local Democrats attended the rally in Greenfield in the evening.

"Jock" Harris will entertain this Saturday evening in the parlors of the Northfield Hotel.

The annual Game Night of the Gill P-T. A. will be held in Gill town hall on Tuesday evening, Oct. 13 at 7:30. Games of every kind will be played and candy and cake will be on sale. Mrs. C. H. Howlett and Mrs. C. W. Sumner with their committees are in charge.

Wallace Beery in "Old Hutch" is coming next week Thursday, Friday and Saturday to the Auditorium in Brattleboro. Too good a show to miss. Men should plan to see the film "Ladies in Love" at the Lathis Theatre next Monday for four days. It's a fascinating and interesting picture.

Dr. Rex S. Clements, pastor of the Church of the Covenant, Boston, will be the speaker at both services next Sunday in Sage Chapel. Dr. Clements was the chaplain last summer at the Conference of Religious Education in Northfield. The speaker last Sunday morning in the chapel was Dr. David R. Porter.

Men from the state highway department these past few days have been checking the cars at the junction of Route 63 through Northfield Farms with Route 2.

Many of our citizens who own land on the meadows which was flooded in March are much interested in the new growth of weeds, flowers and plants including vegetables which the land has produced. Much of it is new and strange to our locality. On the Morgan property hund-

reds of small gourds have been found which are fine in appearance and beautiful to look at but of no known value. The flood waters evidently has deposited much seed in the soil from places farther north.

The Board of Trustees of the Northfield Schools will hold their fall meeting at Kenardan, Seminary campus on Saturday, Oct. 17.

From St. Petersburg, Fla., comes a greeting to the Press from it publicity department telling of the warmth and sunshine of the southern city. It welcomes a return of all Northfield visitors of last year and says that 4810 of them came from Massachusetts. The list of Northfield guests included Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Anderson, Dr. and Mrs. Elliott W. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Kellogg, Miss Louise Roe and others.

The Franklin Congregational club will hold its fall meeting at the Hotel Weldon in Greenfield on Tuesday evening, Oct. 27 when Rev. Rex Stowers Clements of the Church of the Covenant of Boston, who proved himself so popular with young people at our summer conferences will speak.

The Northfield Grange has arranged for a talk on taxation by a representative of the Massachusetts Taxpayers' association at the Grange hall next Tuesday evening and the public are cordially invited to attend. It ought to make a most interesting session.

The Mount Hermon student body and as far as possible the members of the faculty are being limited to the school campus on account of a mild outbreak of scarlet fever. Seven cases have developed to date and the fact that they are all mild and no new ones developed in two days is encouraging. Classes are being held as usual. Dr. Paul T. Strong who succeeded Dr. R. Bretney Miller in September is in charge.

The mistress asked her maid what she thought of the new electric range. "I think it's wonderful, ma'am. It hasn't gone out since it was put in two weeks ago."

Small boy meets big boy returning from a fishing trip. The following dialogue ensues: "Been fishin'?" "Yes." "Catch anythin'?" "Haven't been home yet."

SOUTH VERNON

Church services will be as usual at the South Vernon church next Sunday. Morning worship, 10:45; church school, 12:15; evening worship 7:00, and on Thursday evening at the Vernon Home, service at 7:30.

Albert Thayer of Leyden was a visitor in town last week, calling on his many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Edson, Mrs. M. H. Brown and Warren Brown went to South Deerfield to visit Miss Edith Collingwood last Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth Brooks and son Erwin of Brattleboro were visitors with Mrs. R. E. Bruce last Tuesday.

The minstrel show of the Vernon Dramatic class and the Grange given at the Vernon town hall Monday evening was a decided success. They provided a most interesting program.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Taylor are on a visit to New York City. They took in the world series of baseball.

Mrs. Hattie Morse of Williams, Vt., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. C. Allen.

The masquerade party at the South schoolhouse last Tuesday evening was well attended and a fine success. Prizes were given for the best costumes and to persons guessing the participants. Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Evans were the judges. Dancing was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

Hubby found some holes in his stockings, and asked his wife, "Why haven't you mended these stockings?"

"Did you buy that coat you promised me?"

"No—no," he replied.

"Well, then, if you don't give a wrap I don't give a darn."

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If the Dumb Stunts of the present decade should be recorded by future historians the amazing chronicle of those drivers who attempt to pass cars on hills and curves will be found high on the list. The tragic experience of those who have failed does not seem to deter them in the least. Such boos cannot get through their heads that every time they pass on a blind curve or near the top of a hill, the wings of Gabriel are swishing close to their ears and the Grim Reaper himself is perched on the running board.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1936

Subscribers to the Press should allow two weeks for a change in address if they do not wish to miss a copy of the paper. Notify us as early as possible of any change in address.

EDITORIAL

With the passing of Labor Day and now in October, the fall season is upon us and we can look forward to a bettering of business conditions everywhere. Manufacturers speed up production, retailers increase inventories and the industrial machines swing into high gear. There has been little recession in business from the summer and progress is the watchword with the passing of hot weather. Everything already shows signs of continued improvement. Notwithstanding the national election and the play of politicians, recovery is on the upgrade and seems to be so strong that nothing will stop it. Let's all do our part to maintain recovery. The old slogan of "live and let live" can well be superceded with "earn and spend."

Trees about your home are a valuable asset. In the good old summer time they provide the necessary shade and add to the architectural beauty of the house as well as to the landscape. Now W. K. Williams of the United States Forest Service makes the announcement which has been proven that trees about your home will cut your fuel costs and make your home a much warmer place during the winter season. He says, "When cold winds reach a velocity of more than twenty miles an hour it is found that an unprotected house needs three times the heating requirements of a tree protected home." This is good logic and worth thinking about.

The Back Yard Gardener

I saw by the home town paper that the public officials over in Easthampton have made a ruling against the burning of leaves in the street. Their objection to it was on the basis of blackening the curb stones and ruining the macadam.

Well, I want to say arden to the idea not so much from the standpoint of the street construction as from the back yard gardener's viewpoint. I'd intended to mention compost this fall because I've always done so every year about this time, but that little item set me to thinking that it's a mighty good thing to make. In other words, don't burn your leaves, but put them into compost piles in the back yard.

If you are interested in making compost, why not write to the State College and ask them for that little leaflet which they have on making compost?

Another thing I wanted to remind you of is to check up and be sure that you have your bulb order in. As a matter of fact, you should have your bulbs already to put in the ground. Bulbs put in now will mean lots of blooms early next spring before the rest of the flowers and shrubs get started.

You remember I got to raving the other day about the beauty of fall colors. Well, I got to checking up again as to just what causes these color combinations and I found that the scientists themselves are just a little bit hazy about the whole thing. But this is what they say. There is a green pigment in the leaves called chlorophyll and there is a yellow pigment called xanthophyll. When anything happens, the chlorophyll disappears and the xanthophyll is left and that is why the leaves turn yellow. And the red coloring comes from another pigment called anthocyanin, and the cool nights cause this red color to come out. And of course the orange comes from a combination of red and yellow. And then occasionally you see purple in the oaks. This comes from a chemical known as tannins.

Well, whether it is chlorophyll or xanthophyll or some other "phyll" old Mother Nature does a beautiful job each fall. I suppose these beautiful fall days are just to make us forget the bleak, dreary, dripping, slushy days that are ahead of us next winter.

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Dear Editor:

Will Rogers used to say, "That all he knew was what he read in the newspapers." I used to think so too — but newspapers under political control give a wrong picture of existing facts. I actually was ready to believe from our local papers, including yours, that everything was in the bag for Landon and Haigis.

However, the Democrats had a rally Wednesday night in Greenfield. I attended and had to fight my way to get into Washington hall. The crowd was so large that I gave up, and came back out onto the street where several hundred stood to listen through the amplifiers. This was the largest Democratic turn out in the history of Greenfield. The pleas to vote for Haigis because he is our neighbor did reach everyone in Franklin county through our local papers, but evidently there are many hundreds who think he isn't a good neighbor.

I learned a few things at that meeting about SUNFLOWERS also. I understand that they are grown so that the seeds can be used to feed parrot. Parrots do talk—even though they don't know what they are talking about. Another thing, did you ever turn your sunflower over and see by whom it is made? Well, I'll tell you, it is by the DEAD DUCK CO. Now last and most important, who ever heard of a sunflower BLOOMING in NOVEMBER?

I tried to keep my respect for the party out of power, but it has stooped so low to try and conquer. I have faith in our great Humanitarian President, and feel confident that even in Northfield he will get a BIGGER vote than he did in 1932.

Lawrence Quinlan
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RODIE RICKEN-BACKER, war-time ace and leader in aviation industry, who led a party to the rescue of trans-Atlantic flyers Harry Richman and Dick Merrill after they landed in a Newfoundland bog. Rickenbacker got his start in life when, while working in a garage, he enrolled for a course with the International Correspondence Schools and was able to land a job with an automobile manufacturer.

COAT DRESS IN FASHION—The coat dress shown, worn by Louise Latimer, picture player, is made of smart pale grey wool with a white shadow line check. It is fastened all the way down front with self-covered buttons. White pique collar and cuffs add a crisp touch.

HE WAS THERE—Miles Vaughn, who correctly forecast the Russo-Japanese situation in Collier's, has just written a book on his experiences, "Covering the Far East," which is exciting as well as authoritative, and is based on long personal knowledge of the Orient.



SPANISH PRISONERS—A party of dejected Red Government supporters, their wrists bound with rope, are escorted by armed rebel troops en route to insurgent headquarters following their capture near Bilbao.



THE NEW AND OLD—Oley Nelson (left), of Slater, Ia., retiring Commander-in-Chief of the G.A.R., congratulates his successor, C. M. William Ruhe, 87, of Pittsburgh, Pa., as their 70th annual encampment came to a close in Washington, D. C.



WATCHFUL WAITING—William McCoy (left) and Tony Albano, of Brooklyn, N. Y., were first in line for a bleacher's seat at the opening game of the World Series at the Polo Grounds, New York City. They took up their positions on September 18th.